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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated November 8, 2007, in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit that this Amendment and Response is timely filed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

- I. Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response;
- II. Remarks begin on page 54 of this response; and
- III. Conclusion begins on page 61 of this response.